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Have Two Big Mines

Both Being Developed Into Mines Where Tonnage Is Made Fast. Veins Rich In Values

Developments of splendid import are taking place continually in the Pioche district of Nevada although very few details ever happen to reach local circles. Ernest H. Godbe, manager of the Ohio-Kentucky and the Prince mines of that section, is in Salt Lake City for a few days, and with him he brought some extremely fine rock and encouraging news regarding both these noted old producers. The Prince is more than surpassing the fondest expectations of the officials of the company, and the work on the great vein showing up results that could hardly have been anticipated.

In the first place, as pointed out by Mr. Godbe, this great vein is any where from 100 to 250 feet in width. At the point where the former width obtains, the management has been sending an incline shaft to depths, and not knowing exactly just the dip of the vein, the incline at the 100-foot level or thereabouts tapped the hanging wall. The entire incline was in ore. At this level a crosscut for the foot wall was started, and it is still enroute. Up to the time Mr. Godbe left the mine, a distance of 77 feet in this crosscut has been driven, the face still in ore. The whole distance, he states, averaged 10 per cent lead, 7 ounces silver and 30 per cent excess iron to the ton. Throughout the whole vein so far developed are rich streaks and bunches of ore that run into bonanza altitudes.

The hanging wall was then followed down to the 330-foot level, the incline passing through the upper stratum of lime into the second stratum of shale. The incline at 330 feet encountered in the shale a rich streak of ore, the same being from 6 to 10 feet in thickness. This ore has not been assayed, but from other ore exactly similar found elsewhere in the property, Mr. Godbe is certain that it will carry between 1000 and 2000 ounces silver per ton. The finding of this ore chute in the shale on the outside of the vein proper was a

genuine surprise. On the 330-foot level a cross cut has been started to the foot wall. It easily can be seen that the Prince mine is being opened in a manner that is placing an enormous tonnage available, and it promises to be one of the largest mines in all the West.

Mr. Godbe also brought in with him some handsome specimens of ore from the Susan Duster mine of the Ohio Kentucky company. This rock is a true average of that now being found on and a few feet below the 300-foot level. A winze has been driven 35 feet below the 300 all the way in ore, but inasmuch as the cross cut on the 400-foot level, being sent out from the main shaft, will tap the same body below within a very short time, work on the winze was discontinued. A crosscut was driven to the right of the winze to the hanging wall, and that side of the vein was shown to be 27 feet in width. How great is the distance from the winze to the foot wall has not been determined yet. The ore is a solid sulphide, carrying an average the entire distance across the vein of from 15 to 20 ounces silver, 8 per cent lead, 20 per cent zinc and \$2.50 gold to the ton. Throughout the vein are bunches of high-grade rock from which very high assays can be obtained if desired.

Mr. Godbe is certain that there are few mines in the country that can show such splendid values and such enormous quantities of rock as these two mines, and the officials are naturally delighted with the results of the past few months' development work. He states that he going to spend Thanksgiving in this city, but immediately after will leave for Pioche. There is no gloom down that way, everyone is happy, and the streak of hard times and pessimism so apparent here and elsewhere in the land has not penetrated Pioche life at all. He says it is a cheerful change to reach the camp and feel the optimism and contentment in the air.—Salt Lake Tribune.

Masquerade Ball A Success.

Many Characters Taken Which Were Unusually Well Sustained.

The Thanksgiving Masquerade ball given by the Pioche Miners Union last evening was a most pronounced success in every particular. In point of attendance, it was the largest that has been given in Pioche for a number of years. The characters taken were varied and numerous and as a general rule were well sustained. The committee, consisting of B. Ellsworth, Dr. Duckworth and Ralph DeWitt, appointed to award the prizes gave the first prize to Ed. Hammond, who impersonated a "coon" and did so in a very excellent manner. The first prize for the ladies was awarded to Mrs. Alex Orr, she representing an Indian Chieftess. We have not space to give special mention to each character taken and can only give a few that were the most prominent. H. H. Bennett was a success as the summer girl and the attention paid by E. C. D. Marriage to said "summer girl" (?) would certainly lead one to believe that Bennett made a great hit with him. Fuller representing the Pabst and Budweiser beer was great, in more than one way and created a great sensation from the moment he entered the hall. It was stated by the judges that they would have awarded the first prize to Fuller had he been present sooner, he arriving just before the unmasking. Fuller was ably assisted in the carrying out of the character by Mr. Bowman. John Shier while not unmasked has not been accustomed to such sights and could not refrain from "butting in." H. E. Freudenthal appeared with a new creation in the hat line, which would certainly mean a fortune for the inventor, had it been introduced at Easter time, and the hose he wore were simply "out of sight." Among other characters represented were the Pioche Baseball team, the Scottish Highlanders, Red Cross nurses, sailors, soldiers, Spanish and French dancers, and numerous others.

Taken altogether the ball was a success in every way and was a credit to the people and those in charge and we conclude by expressing a hope that we may be favored with many such high class and entertaining dances in the future.

Is Nevin a Failure?

Bitter Attacks Made By State Press—Has Given Satisfaction Here

Numerous attacks have been made by the press throughout the state, on the conduct by State License Collector Nevin of the affairs of his office. The most violent, perhaps, being made by the Ely Mining Examiner, which denounced him in no uncertain terms.

So far as this county is concerned, the statement of the different officials dealing with him are to the effect, that they at all times found him ready and willing to give all assistance possible along any lines indicated. The assessor has had occasion to ask his assistance in several bullion tax matters, and has found Nevin anxious to assist.

True, we have not been favored with a visit from him during his incumbency, but are not in a position to say as to whether or not this was absolutely necessary for the successful conduct of the affairs of his office, Nevin claiming that all requirements can be successfully met by correspondence. In an interview with the Reno Journal, Nevin defends his position in the following language:

"The people who seek to attack me in this way must realize that they by so doing attack not only me personally, but the governor, the sheriffs of the fourteen counties of the state, as well as the county commissioners and the attorney-general, who is my legal adviser. I do not care to make any reply in detail to these attacks, for they are animated solely by motives of personal malice and my record will speak for itself. I have here an article which I believe was written by Sam Davis, former state comptroller and now editor of the Carson Appeal, which contains a complete answer to the charges and which embodies the truth.

"Records on file with the state comptroller show that the revenue of the state of Nevada at the present time is three times as great as ever in its history, not exempting the boom days of the Comstock, and not a little of this is due to the way in which I have performed my duties. The element which is fighting me is fighting law and order, truth, justice and patriotism. There never was a revenue officer who did not incur the animosities and ill-will of those against whom he is called upon to enforce the law. I am willing to let time answer the Ely Examiner. Governor Sparks' appointments will stand on their own bottoms. At the last session of the legislature these same people tried to oppose the office, but figures were then produced to show that it was one of the most important offices in the state, and I was allowed an additional \$100 for traveling expenses.

"My duties are of an extremely arduous nature and must be conducted for the most part by correspondence. I supervise the work of the sheriffs and their deputies, as well the district attorney and these officials are all under bond for the faithful performance of their work. Even with the recent depression, the showing of revenue collected is greater than before and my office is responsible for much of this showing.

"I will say that there is no one trying to evade the law or to avoid payment of liquor or gaming licenses in this state. If there is I will defy my accusers to name them. There is no first-class saloon or established place running without a license and if in some remote camps parties conduct an illicit liquor traffic it is not long before they are discovered and brought to time.

"I have records at my office and there are statements in the state comptroller's office that will bear out what I say."

Georgia-Pioche Sacking Ore

Will Install a Gasoline Hoist Immediately and Increase the Number of Employees

Very gratifying to the management and owners is the showing on the Georgia-Pioche properties east of town. W. S. Anderson has for some time been personally supervising the development work and the mines are responding handsomely. At present ore is being sacked which will average from \$85.00 to \$90. per ton and they also have a good sized body of it. The ore now being sacked will be held at the mine until a car load has been taken out when it will be

immediately rushed to the smelter.

A gasoline hoist will be installed just as soon as it can be gotten on the ground and W. S. Anderson will leave for Salt Lake City within a day or so for the purpose of ordering it and rushing it here. When this engine has been installed it will permit of the working of the mine on a much larger scale, at which time the force of men employed will be very materially increased.

Bound Over To Grand Jury

The justice court has been occupied for several days this week in conducting the preliminary examination of R. W. DeWitt and Sam Pollock, charged with disposing of intoxicating liquors to Indians. The defendants were charged separately.

Judge Breeze represented the defendant and Deputy Sheriff Walker appeared for the state in the absence of District Attorney Horsey. The testimony of several Indians were heard and went to the point of directly connecting the defendants with the alleged offense. F. Wambolt, a rancher from Lake Valley, also testified to seeing the defendants pass a bottle to one Indian Charlie.

In the case of DeWitt, after listening to the evidence and arguments of respective counsel the Court took the case under advisement until Friday morning at 10:30 a. m. at which time it rendered its decision holding the defendant DeWitt to answer before the Grand Jury with bonds fixed in the sum of five hundred dollars.

A very interesting point of law was raised by Judge Breeze in this case. He contending that notwithstanding the fact, that the government had exercised no supervision over the person of these Indians for a number of years, they were members of the Shoshone tribe and were wards of the government and that the case should properly be prosecuted in the United States Court. This point will be raised and determined in a higher Court should the defendant be held for trial by the Grand Jury.

State News

The arguments in the railroad cases before the United States Court have been concluded and the cases submitted to the Court, it is expected an opinion will be rendered within five or six weeks.

Chas. Clay, formerly a resident of Lincoln County, who was held to answer before the Grand Jury of Nye County, on the charge of murdering an Indian, was exonerated by the said Grand Jury last week, they evidently believing the story of self defense as maintained by Clay.

According to the Las Vegas Age, there is a great probability of our sister town getting the railroad shops at that point. This question has been under consideration for some time and as yet nothing of an official nature has been given out. We would be pleased to see Las Vegas get the shops for it would mean much for the town and it is entitled to them being as it is a natural division point.

County Recorder Lee, Cashier Fitzpatrick of the Bank of Pioche, Inc. and Deputy Sheriff Walker were visitors in Caliente the fore part of the week.

Dimond Drill Man Here.

Mr. McCune of Butte, Montana who is associated with V. L. Butler in the operation of diamond drills, arrived here the fore part of the week and is awaiting the arrival of a drill which was shipped here some time ago. McCune will have charge of the operations of the drill here and is anxiously awaiting its arrival so that work may be instituted. It is entirely due to the congested condition of freight on the San Pedro that the drill is so slow in arriving, and nothing definite could be learned by McCune from the officials when he visited them in Salt Lake, however, it is hoped that operations may begin the coming week.

Simmons Will Conduct School.

Jesse Simmons of the law firm of French & Simmons has consented to take charge of the Grammar department of the public school and will commence Monday. Simmons is a competent man having had considerable experience in teaching which gives every assurance that the school will be successful. We congratulate the trustees on securing the services of Mr. Simmons and know that his efforts will be conscientiously and intelligently directed toward the training of the pupils under his charge.

Simmons does not wish it understood that he has discontinued the practice of law, but on the contrary, will be able to handle all business coming his way. He has arranged to have his office in Thompson Building open each afternoon and anyone having any business for him may call at the office.

E. L. Godbe, Vice-President of the Ohio-Kentucky Company, made us a flying visit Monday.

Dr. Campbell was called to Danaca the first part of the week to attend Wells Lee, who is quite ill.

John G. Brown, proprietor of the Court Exchange, made a trip to Caliente this week on business matters.

Monday next is the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners; file your claims early in order that they might receive proper consideration.

Miss Louise Fieldson, niece of John Shier of Caliente, is visiting in Pioche this week with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Freudenthal.

All taxes remaining unpaid at 5 o'clock Monday evening will be become delinquent and the penalty and advertising added. Those who have as yet failed to pay would do well to consider this matter.

Searchlight Has An Election

Competent Officials Chosen to Guide First Step of Home Rule

The first city election ever held in Lincoln county occurred in Searchlight Tuesday last, with the following results: John E. Emerson, mayor; councilmen, John Wheatly, H. A. Wallbrecht and E. M. Beattie; city clerk, J. B. Flanagan and city marshal, O. H. Smith. We have been unable to learn who was chosen for the office of city treasurer.

Searchlight is the first town in Lincoln county to branch out for city government, and its results will be watched with interest by the remainder of the county.

Those in a position to know state that the officials chosen are energetic, competent and trustworthy, who will make every endeavor to give the new born city a good clean administration. We extend congratulations to our sister town of the southland and hope that she may never have cause to regret the step taken.

Jas. A. Nesbitt and family were visiting in Caliente this week, spending Thanksgiving with Hans Olson and family.

Wm. Kane Dies At Panaca

Wm Kane died at Panaca Thursday last. Kane had been in Pioche for some time, but had become in an almost helpless condition, so it was thought advisable by the officers to send him to his relatives in order that he might receive proper attention.

Kane was raised in Panaca, and his father, John Kane, was at one time sheriff of Lincoln county, holding that position during the time that Pioche was infested with its worse element; and while sheriff, he won a reputation for himself as being a brave and fearless officer, who had at once the fear and admiration of this tough element.

Pollock Jumps His Bail.

Sam Pollock one of the defendants in the liquor selling cases, having furnished a bond for his appearance for trial, left Wednesday last for parts unknown. The evidence as introduced in the preliminary hearing of DeWitt pointed very strongly to the guilt of Pollock who evidently was of the impression that he would get away from an embarrassing situation by leaving.

Took Money But Left Children

Gordon, It Is Alleged, Did All This, Seven Days After Marriage

Basing her prayer upon the allegation that her husband, E. P. Gordon, deserted her, August 22, last, taking with him \$900 of her money as a reminder of his martial experiences, and leaving her and five small children penniless, Annie Gordon is asking the Third District court to grant her a decree of divorce. It further appears from the complaint that the flight of Gordon occurred only seven days after he had taken the marriage vows.

Mrs. Gordon says she believes her husband to be interested in the Pioche Last Chance Mining company, and as a last chance toward getting some of her money back, she asks that the mining company be restrained from delivering any stock to Gordon. Mrs. Gordon also asks that she be permitted to resume her former name, Annie Taylor.—Salt Lake Tribune.

District Attorney Horsey left for Searchlight Sunday last where he was called to attend to some legal business at that place.